



**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): AN AUTOMATED METHOD FOR CONDUCTING BUY/SELL
TRANSACTIONS FOR NON-COMMODITY MATERIALS OR DEVICES

By (Inventors): J. Edward Cichanowicz

47 pages of Specification/Claims 1-20/Abstract are attached.
 Formal drawings Fig. 1; 1 sheet is attached.
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
 An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
 An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and _____ reference(s).
 This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
 A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/199,126, filed April 24, 2000, the subject matter of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety--
 Priority of foreign application No. _____ filed _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
 A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 - 20	= 0
INDEP CLAIMS	3 - 3	= 0
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		

SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
	\$ 355		\$ 710
x 9 =	\$	x 18	\$
x 40 =	\$	x 80	\$
+135 =	\$	+270	\$
TOTAL	\$ 355	TOTAL	\$

A check in the amount of \$355.00 for the filing fee is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300. However, this application is entitled to small entity status. DO NOT charge large entity fees to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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